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Speed crackdown

MARYANNE FIRTH
InPort News Staff

WAINFLEET — Township council has put the brakes on speeding down Morgans Point Rd.

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■ **CANAL TRAIL:** Many helping hands give memorial park at junction of two canals a cleanup for summer

International Marine enhances Derek Point



WAYNE CAMPBELL Staff photo

Preston Kingston, 3, helps clean up Derek Point in Port Colborne as part of the International Marine Group family of companies annual project.

WAYNE CAMPBELL
InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — For Wayne Elliott, Derek Point is his favourite spot in Port Colborne. The park overlooks the junction of the old and new canals in Humberstone.

"It's the best spot in the St. Lawrence Seaway to watch ships," the owner of the International Marine Group family of companies said.

Elliott has a special interest in the point. He helped to create and finance the park and his companies help keep it up. He named it in memory of Derek Zavitz, an 18-year-old who worked with the company for a short time before he was killed on an educational around-the-world voyage in 1996.

The popular young Port Colborne man well known in local sports was thrown off the ship by an explosion from a welding mishap off the coast of Australia.

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■ SPEEDERS

Speeders curbed on Morgans Point Rd.

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At the request of residents, township staff brought forth a report last week to reduce the road's speed limit.

Operations director Greg Wulsman said the municipality received a number of phone calls and e-mails questioning the speed limit on the road, which was not posted.

When told the applicable speed limit was 80 km/h, residents were "outraged and concerned about safety on the road."

Wulsman said staff reviewed similar roads to determine what the recommended speed limit would be.

At the end of Morgans Point Rd. is a park where children often play, a factor which was considered when the report was put together, he said.

Staff recommended the entire road, a 1.5-kilometre stretch, be reduced to 40 km/h from 80 km/h.

Ald. Ted Hessels said he didn't believe the entire road needed its speed to be reduced by such a large amount.

"That's pretty slow to go that great a distance," he said.

He recommended the road be reduced to 60 km/h from Lakeshore Rd. to 2 St., where it will then be reduced to 40 km/h.

Hessels' motion was carried unanimously by council.

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That's pretty slow to go that great a distance."

Ted Hessels
Alderman, Township of
Wellfleet, on reducing speed
limit on Morgans Point Rd.

■ CLEANUP

FROM PAGE A1

"You just never know," said Elliott, reflecting on the accident.

The sailing ship, the *SV Concordia*, was unlucky, he said. Earlier this year, it sank off the coast of South America, but all the staff and students survived.

Derek Point and Memorial Garden was built in 2002 to 2003 by the company from an industrial ruin.

It was Tom Lannan's idea. He brought me out here," Elliott said about the property littered with broken stones and industrial waste from an operation that was related to the Robin Hood mill across the old canal from the point.

"We brought in 200 dump truck loads of fill to level the site. The city was very good about letting us do the project," Elliott said.

Each year, staff of the three related salvage companies — Marine Recycling Corporation, International Marine Salvage Inc. and Raw Materials Company Inc. — organize a work party to add to the park. On Saturday, they cleaned out trash, broken bottles and litter from the site, trimmed the grass and planted bushes, trees and flowers.

"It's a chance for everyone to get together, help the environment, improve the park and have a barbecue," Elliott said.

The companies recycle thousands of tonnes of scrap metals, oils, chemicals, mercury, lead and wastes, such as batteries, light tubes and electronics.

"We are in the recycling business," Elliott said.

Through its Green Tree program, the companies have planted about 1,000 trees through a formula based on the number of tonnes it has recycled and diverted from landfill sites.

The program includes plantings at schools.

Part of the recycling involves Derek Point. Taking apart old ships is one of the companies' chores. They have used marine items to create the park, a nautical theme, especially in relation to Zavit.

He worked with a crew one summer that towed three ships to the salvage yard. Items from those three ships — *SS Cedarholm*, *SS Willoughben* and *SS Beaulieu* — such as Port Colborne fenders, bulbworks and



Wayne Elliott of the International Marine Group family of companies points out the location of Derek Point in an aerial photo. The park was named in memory of Derek Zavit, who died in 1996 during a round the world school training voyage. Zavit worked with International Marine for a summer. The company developed the park on the point and named it in his memory.

deckplate are part of a display.

Other items include masts, anchor winch, wheelhouse bow and a section of deck. It has also put in picnic tables.

Elliott said his companies will continue to develop the park, including planting more trees.

The park includes the canal side recreation trail and has limited vehicle access into the point.

Elliott said he would like to see arrangements made so seniors and other with limited mobility could come in to

enjoy the view of passing ships and picnic in the area.

The park has suffered some vandalism including damage to signs, Elliott said.

"You just wonder about some people," he said.

One of the features of the

park is a mast with a steel letters Derek Point as well as a sign explaining the park, which includes a school report Zavit did during his school voyage.

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Grade 1 and 2 students from DeWitt Carter school took a tour of the Port Colborne police detachment last week. At top left, Trent Lafontaine, front, and Tyler Pare, back, pet Niagara Regional Police service dog Vesta as her handler, Sgt. Scott Johnstone, watches. Top right, Sgt. Shawn Briggs talks with the students during their tour. Below right, students point at Brock, one of the two horses in Niagara Regional Police's mounted unit and below right, students pet Brock as his rider, Kevin Michener, looks down on them from the 1,800-pound (816-kilogram) animal. See story on Page 10.



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ourview

Nowhere to cool off

Though it's not officially summer yet, the summer weather is here.

And that means hot, humid days where taking a dip in the cool waters of Lake Erie would be a welcome relief.

Trouble is, the waters aren't always safe for swimming at Nickel Beach, Centennial Beach or many of the other locations across Port Colborne and Wainfleet.

Though the beaches in our area are open to swimmers at the moment, results of testing conducted by Niagara's public health department could change that.

Each week the region checks each of Niagara's 34 beaches on Lake Erie, Lake Ontario and the Niagara River.

Tests conducted are for E. coli bacteria counts and a beach is posted as unsafe for swimming when counts exceed a provincial standard of 100 organisms per 100 millilitres of water.

At least five samples are taken at each beach and are sent to a public health lab in Hamilton.

And before a beach is posted, a geometric means of calculation is used to average out the results. Levels measured on a beach may vary from one area to the next, that is why the results are averaged out.

People sometimes still swim at posted beaches across the region, but they face becoming ill due to E. coli and assorted viruses or parasites in the water.

E. coli is an indicator bacteria and when it's present, other organisms may be in the water as well.

Swimming in the contaminated water can lead to nose, eye, ear, skin and throat infections and also gastroenteritis, which is an inflammation of the gastrointestinal tract, involving both the stomach and the small intestine.

It's a shame we have to watch where we swim on hot days or that we have to watch at all.

It would be nice if the waters of Lake Erie were as pristine as they once were, though they have been cleaned up over the last number of decades.

Until we find a way to keep contaminants from entering the watershed, beach postings will continue and we'll have to suffer through the heat.

I'VE BEEN: Column

GARY TOMLICK
Wainfleet Congregational
Christian Church

Did the prodigal son appreciate his home, his family, his father?

The first words out of his mouth were: "I was lost. I was dead."

This was a #1 Greedy Division which resulted in a #2 Diminished Portion. The older son would receive a double portion. And this #2 Diminished Portion was motivated by #3 Wild Ambition.

When his money runs out he is further reduced to #4 Near Starvation.

A great famine swept over the land and he is now starving to death. He hires himself out to a local farmer feeding the pigs which was an unclean animal to the Jew.

This is a #5 Demolishing Situation. This leads to a #6 Turning Point Decision. He leaves for his long journey home. His father sees him from a distance and embraces him and kisses him. This became a #7 Warm Reconciliation. And then finally a #8 Grand Celebration.

The Father said "Kill the fattest calf" and the party began.

What about the older son? Was he popping the champagne? Was he celebrating? Yes he was celebrating his own righteousness. He was working hard long days in the heat and

long into the night taking up the slack caused by his brother's absence. But it was all a sham, it was phony, it was superficial.

He says to his father, "all of these years I have what? Slaved for you. It was a burden. There was no heart and no passion in it!"

The younger sons sins were visible to many. Family and friends would have criticized him for the shame he brought upon them. Now would have travelled far and wide. The older son was #1 Self Righteous because #2 Sharp Bitterness resulting in #3 Shut out forgiveness.

A key verse is verse 28 — He would not go in. He would not open the door of his heart, to his friends, his family and his father.

One day the day of God's grace will be over. Remember Noah kept on preaching while the people kept laughing. Until the bible says God closed the door and I am sure that many of them banged on the door. The Ark was built to last forever — no last! The unbelievers heart does not change. People will continue to procrastinate, and if he does not receive Jesus as their Lord in Savior in this Life they will bang on heavens door one day and it will again be too late — forever to him.

Do you see yourself in the younger son? He sinned greatly but was forgiven greatly. Maybe you haven't left home under those same conditions but your heart is in that "far country."

Or maybe you are like the older brother — you are snug and proper — you go to church faithfully and pay your dues but it's only outward. You look down your nose at others and you will not forgive them even if they repent. You are self-righteous, you will not go in and celebrate.

You will not join the party. If this is your mentality then you cannot pray the Lord's Prayer "forgive us as we forgive others." What about the Father? What kind of man was he? #1 He was very loving. He gave his son his inheritance while his heart must have been breaking. If you love someone you must be willing to let them go. The father worried about his son. He couldn't let him up — his heart belonged to a different world. He never forgot about his son even for a minute, he love him, he waited up for him. The silence was deafening.

His absence would have been felt at the dinner table. His bed would have been empty night after night. Memories would have haunted him giving him many sleepless night.

He worried, cried, prayed wondering if his son was even alive. #2 His father was also forgiving. He ran to his son. In that culture not only did fathers not run that way, he could had disowned his son or even had him severely punished. Instead he kissed and embraced his son with love and compassion. He is loving, forgiving, compassionate, and he is also #4 overjoyed we must celebrate

with a feast. The fathers compassion is also revealed to his older son. He pleads with him to go in but the older son refuses. He is like a Pharisee. I am sure the father wept. Our Heavenly Father still weeps for those who reject him. The Lord Jesus weeps for others as he wept for Jerusalem. His arms are outstretched to us, yet many turn their backs on Him. And He still weeps — do you? They remain in that far country, parking of the devil's substitutes, feeding on the pig slop of this world. Jesus offers the water of life, and the living bread who He is yet they will not come. They will not go in, they will not celebrate God's goodness, God's forgiveness, God's grace.

The Lord like the Father who He represents in our story is also #5 Generous. He tells his older son everything I have are yours for Christians upon forgiveness of sins they will share in an unbelievable inheritance in Christ. Their riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

But the greatest gift is Gods son given for us. Will you reject Him and not go in? Or will you receive Him by confessing your sins and opening the door of your heart to Him. This is true life, the beauty and glory of New Life in Christ offered to all. Will you come home, will you come to Jesus? Will you go in?

Why? For we were all prodigals in heart until we came home. We were dead but now we are alive, we are lost but now we are found.

readers' views

What has Niagara Region done for us?

It makes you wonder when the antics of those supposedly elected to represent our best interests become so bizarre and unreal that even the worst TV reality show seems to make more sense.

Our regional politicians are dipping into our pockets to "celebrate" 40 years of "regional government," all of them immersed in a warm

fuzzy blanket of totally unearned and undeserved self gratification.

What has the Region done for us in the past 40 years?

Produced a regional debt of \$176 million, with the threat it could double.

Produced an ever increasing public sector with growing salaries and benefits paid before any public works.

Failed to establish any comprehensive regional transport system, an ongoing broken promise.

Refused to even discuss reducing either public sector staff or the members of council.

If only we could all run our personal finances as well as they do the public's.

But it gets better. We have a bonus prize for the Region for some ever more inspired staff and politicians to the increasing debt taxpayers (or our children or grandchildren) will have to pay.

As it has totally failed to spend enough tax dollars on

infrastructure, its solution is simple! Next year it will simply double the amount of loans and commit to, in your name, solve the problem of an ever-increasing debt!

Silly, silly electorate! We would never have thought of that would we! I guess we simply double the amount of our holes where we belong and not question those we elect.

Andrew Watts
Port Colborne

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■ COLUMN

The Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever



Sandie Bingley
IT'S A
DOG'S LIFE

There are really six Retriever breeds in Group 1.

I missed adding the Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever when I did the Retrievers.

This breed has become very popular in the last 25 years as they are a delightful medium size dog that at first glance, looks like a small Golden Retriever with a coat that is a little more reddish in colour.

But they can have white hair on their face, paws and chest which the Golden Retrievers do not have.

Their personality is slightly different as well.

They are very active, inquisitive and playful.

They have great endurance and are very determined in everything that they do.

They are compulsive retrievers and will continuously bring objects to you to play the retrieve game.

They will try to get you to play with them even when you may not want to play.

In Nova Scotia they were used to lure the ducks in close to shore where the hunters would be hiding.

The game for the Tollers would be to run up and down the shoreline of a lake or pond to attract the duck's attention. Ducks are very curious so they would swim close to shore to see what the dogs were doing.

The Tollers' tails were carried high like a flag to lure the ducks near. This action of running up and

down is called tolling not trolling and this is why the word tolling is the dog's name.

Of course the Tollers love to retrieve the ducks

from the water for the hunters. Their thick coats are suitable for water retrieving in all types of weather.

The Nova Scotia Duck

Tolling Retriever makes a great family pet for those who can accept their high energy level.

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Are you getting old before your time? Do you feel a bit cranky, tired, achy, or find yourself wondering if dementia might strike?

Signs of aging include poor skin tone, decreased mental acuity, low energy, aches, pains, bladder control problems, sexual function issues, and many more nagging conditions. As the body ages, many people accept these changes as a part of "just getting old". In my work with menopausal women and in my own experience with the menopause process, I have learned that the aging process can be much more enjoyable than the accepted norm.

Hormonal health is one of the biggest factors in aging process. This is because hormones are instrumental in so many body functions. By bringing

balance back into hormonal health, many people are amazed at how much better they feel overall. In my private practice as an herbalist, I often recommend a remedy that contains *Eucommia ulmoides* and *Moringa*. *Eucommia* has been used for centuries in Chinese medicine and studies conclude that it slows the aging process. *Eucommia* improves the efficiency of hormone use, so that no surplus hormones are required and balance can be restored naturally. This balance of hormonal activity results in direct and indirect effects, better moods and energy, restored sexual function, decrease in aches and pains, sharper mental acuity and increased sense of well-being. The antioxidant nature of *Eucommia* and *Moringa* help, means less stress on the liver which is where cholesterol problems begin. It also has anti-hypertension effects. This in turn protects heart health.

Also, when hormones are balanced, the blood does not have to work so hard to maintain an even pH, and the bones are protected from excessive loss of density.

A client called one day to discuss the appropriateness of using *Eucommia* at her age; she was 80 years old at the time. She had severe vaginal dryness and atrophy, but here she was, with a new man in her life, a young one at that. As people age, they process medicine more slowly, so I recommended a small dose of the remedy containing *Eucommia*. Within 30 days, this woman called back to report, saying that her mood had lifted, her energy had improved and that positive changes were occurring in her sexual health. She was so happy, she could not say enough about it! It was her story that made me realize that many people could age more gracefully, with a little bit of help along the way.

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Celebrating a budding career and 90 years

Tegan Workman has a photographer's eye. He can capture images and portray them for what they are. He's not only technically sound, he has an excellent artistic component to his work. His composition is spot-on.

Considering Tegan has just completed his first year of the two-year photography program at London's Fanshawe College, that's amazing.

One of the nicest young men you can meet, Tegan received a camera from mom Susan and dad Craig as a graduation present from high school a couple of years ago, a Nikon D-60.

"I started shooting around home, the water, the beach, that sort of thing," he says, referring to the family's Tennessee Ave. residence.

After high school, he joined dad Craig on the pilot boat in the Welland Canal, working part-time to earn money for the post-secondary studies that began last fall. Thanks to the time spent on the boat, Tegan is now close to getting his captain's licence. It was also on the pilot boat his photography took off.

"I started bringing my camera with me."

The result is a series of gorgeous images that he framed. In an enterprising move, he is selling them on West St. at Crew's Quarters. Tegan's mom Sue has worked in the store for years and Tegan has his own little corner in the back of the store where the framed photos are on display. He's been selling them there for more than a year and prices vary, starting from about \$20 and going up.

They're startlingly



George Duma

BY GEORGE

beautiful, especially for someone so young in his career. They are shot from a variety of vantage points either in or around the canal and words don't do them justice. They must be viewed.

It's wonderful to see. I used to work with Sue at The Tribune's Port Colborne bureau on King St., across the street from the Workman homestead where Craig grew up. She was an advertising sales representative while I was the Port Colborne reporter of the day. I vividly remember Sue being pregnant with Tegan.

When I last saw him more than two years ago, Tegan was at the Rosehelen Centre blowing horn with More Bad News and the Horns From Hell. It was a magical concert put together by Paul Dayboil and the Port High music department in an effort to raise funds to refurbish the school's instruments.

The evening paired up Port High music students with the iconic Niagars cover band.

First, the Port High Jazz Band played a set, then More Bad News and the Horns From Hell played a set before the two melded together on stage for a mentor-student type of set that had the packed house smiling from ear to ear. It helped make a pile of money that allowed the school to have an outfit in London refurbish a number of their instruments.

This summer, as he awaits his second year of school

at Fanshawe, Tegan is landscaping for his dad's outfit, Lake Erie Property Management.

It's clear from speaking with him and seeing his work he has a bright future in photography. He's an extremely talented young man.

Just recently, he won the Port Colborne Winter Photography contest. He also plans on spending some time in Newfoundland this summer with his photographer aunt, learning more about the craft and art of photography from her.

And when he graduates? "I want to take what I like," he says. "I would like to get into travel photography for a while."

And there's certainly no reason to believe he won't achieve his goal.

✻✻✻
A dear friend turned 90 yesterday. And though June 3 is her official birthday, dozens of friends and family members gathered last Sunday to help Mary McKay celebrate the milestone.

Mary was a Bruno, growing up in the family homestead on Neff St. with 10 siblings. She's a remarkable woman.

To look at her and spend some time with her, you'd swear she was no older than 70. She's funny, intelligent, her memory is as sharp as it's ever been, and she has absolutely no malice toward anyone or anyone. On top of all that, she's gorgeous.

Mary's son John retired from Canadian Press (CP) recently after a long, illustrious career with Canada's main news agency. Beginning his career in radio, John moved to print journalism and into CP

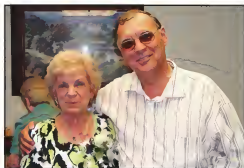


GEORGE DUMA For InPort News

Tegan Workman is well on his way to becoming a professional photographer. He will enter his second year at Fanshawe College's photography program in September but in the meantime, some of his amazing photos are on sale at Crew's Quarters on West St.

decades ago when he covered national politics – including Pierre Trudeau during his heyday – before eventually becoming CP's main arts and entertainment reporter.

It's always so good to see Mary and John. I won't be surprised to see Mary celebrate many, many more of these birthdays.



GEORGE DUMA For InPort News

Mary McKay turned 90 this week, and son John and dozens of family and friends helped her celebrate the occasion last Sunday in Welland.

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■ HISTORY: Items reflect 40 years of community service



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Gord Hart, left, and Bob Saracino discuss Second World War items in Saracino's Port Colborne Historical and Maritime Museum collection during a special display at the L.R. Wilson Heritage Research Archives and Visitor Centre Sunday. Hart is a Second World War veteran who served with the Black Watch while Saracino has a longtime connection with the Royal Canadian Legion as well as his roles as Port Colborne mayor and regional councillor.

Port museum opens Saracino collection to the visiting public

WAYNE CAMPBELL
InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — For Bob Saracino, last Sunday afternoon steadily filled with nostalgia.

The former mayor and current regional councillor chatted with visitors to a one-day exhibit of more than 200 items he donated to the Port Colborne Historical and Maritime Museum.

Over 40 years, Saracino has received photos, certificates, books, letters and other memorabilia he received in his roles as mayor, regional councillor, Royal Canadian Legion executive member and unofficial ambassador for Port Colborne.

"There are a lot of memories here," he said walking among tables of items laid out in the L.R. Wilson Heritage Research Archives and Visitor Centre.

He had an apparently rare history book on the Chicago Blackhawks about which he was interviewed by an American

reporter.

"We have a connection to Niagara through the St. Catharines' Terepses, a Chicago farm club," he said.

Saracino opened up a Bible signed by Pope Pius XII that was given to him by Pauline Ferrarelli of Port Colborne who wanted it preserved by the city.

He had a letter from Pope John Paul II thanking him for an invitation from the city to visit when he came to Canada in the 1980s.

One table held a collection of honorary crew member certificates and plaques from Canadian and American naval ships that docked in Port Colborne.

"I arranged for tours of the ships in Port Colborne when they made their regular tour of the lakes," Saracino said.

From his brother-in-law Jack Campbell, who was in the Royal Air Force, he had a letter signed by King George VI.

Gord Hart, a Second World

War veteran wounded three times serving with the Black Watch Regiment, said he was particularly interested in the war items.

He praised his friend for making the donations.

Saracino said he felt really humbled by what he had received over the years and felt it was valuable to Port Colborne's historical record.

"We don't know where we are going unless you know where you have been," he said about the need retain such items.

Now retired curator Virginia Anger said the collection of material is valuable as museum staff discovered once they started cataloging it.

It marked the 40th anniversary of the current City of Port Colborne and Niagara Region along with marking the 35th anniversary of the museum's founding.

Bob was a member of our original board," she said.



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DONNIE EDWARDS
R.Ph. & Sc. Pharm.

Acne

Acne is one of the most annoying skin problems. It affects most people at some point in their lives. Luckily there are a number of safe and effective treatments available.

Acne develops when pores in the skin become clogged. The pores become clogged by sebum, an oil in our skin. Bacteria that live on the skin thrive in this oil and rapidly increase in number, causing the pore to become inflamed.

Treating acne is very important. People with acne can suffer from low self-esteem, anxiety and depression. Improving one's complexion can improve their confidence and quality of life.

It may take several weeks to see a benefit from treatment but with some persistence most cases of acne can be resolved. An important first step is cleansing. Acne sufferers should wash their face twice a day. To prevent over drying, soapless cleansers like Cetaphil, and Spectro Jel can be used. Antimicrobial soaps like Dial can be used but these may cause excessive dryness. It is also important to clean after exercise and excessive sweating. Clothing and items in close contact with the skin can also increase acne problems.

Some people think that certain foods can lead to acne but there is no evidence that this is true. (Have some chocolate every once in awhile).

After cleansing there are a number of creams, lotions, gels, and solutions, that can be used. The most effective over-the-counter treatment is benzoyl peroxide. A gel or solution which remains on the skin seems to work best. An example of a product available in Canada is Solugel.

Prescription products available combine benzoyl peroxide and topical antibiotics such as erythromycin or clindamycin. These combination products kill the bacteria which causes the inflammation. Cindoxyl and Benzacrin are examples.

Topical retinoids are prescription creams which can also be used. These are often used to treat small bumps under the skin and blackheads. These products can also reduce fine lines and wrinkles. (Examples of these include Retin-A, Tazorac and Differin). These creams can make individuals more sensitive to the sun, and should not be used by pregnant women.

Acne is influenced by hormones, therefore, oral contraceptive pills which manipulate hormones can also decrease acne. Not all birth control pills are same. Some are better at controlling acne, depending on the type of progesterone the pill contains. All pills will help with acne but Yaz, Yasmin, Tri-cyclen and Diane-35 are indicated for acne control.

Antibiotics can also be taken orally to help control acne. Minocin and tetracycline are two of the most commonly used treatments.

If acne is very severe and resistant to treatment, Accutane can be used. This prescription item is very effective however it comes with some serious possible side effects. Under no circumstances should it be used in pregnant women and women of childbearing age must be on an oral contraceptive in order to take this product. Patients must sign a waiver/consent form provided by a doctor indicating they understand all possible risks before taking this product.

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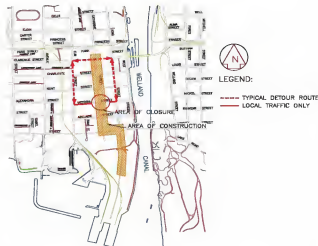


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■ PROJECT: Five wind turbines could be installed

Wainfleet wind farm going to the public for consultations

InPort News Staff

WAINFLEET — Public consultation will begin this summer for a renewable energy project in Wainfleet.

Mayor Barb Henderson updated council last week on the project, which was announced by the Ontario Power Authority in early April.

The OPA awarded a contract to Wainfleet Wind Energy Inc. for a renewable energy project under the Feed-in Tariff program — a program under the Green Energy and Green Economy Act.

The project offers long-term guaranteed prices for energy from renewable sources.

Council had no prior knowledge of the project, Henderson said, with the proponent only required to con-

sult with the township regarding municipal or local infrastructure and servicing.

A meeting was held May 14, between the mayor, town staff and the proponents — the Loeffen family of Wainfleet — to learn about the project.

The capacity approved by the OPA for the project would be produced by up to five turbines.

The site or sites for the towers is yet to be determined, but environmental and resource assessments are being done to determine preferred sites in compliance with the act.

Wainfleet Wind Energy will conduct a public consultation this summer as part of the environmental and resource assessment process. The date is to be announced.

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■ EDUCATION

Port High geography students are tops in province

For InPort News

PORT COLBORNE — Port High's geography students have achieved success once again at the Ontario Student Map Making Competition.

Students from the grades 9 and 10 divisions, captured first, second and third place in hand-drawn mapping competition, at the 41st annual competition.

The winners were:
First place — Carly Augustine

Second place — Carly Johnson

Third place (tie) — Owen Bellhumer and Ilyssa Boisenue

This year over 140 entries were received from across the province. Competition organizers praised the students for their top quality skills.

The school's head of geography said he was excellent's ally pleased with the results. He said the school has always had a tradition of excellence and this win continues to build on that success.

The geography program at the school has been a leader in geographic excellence. All students in the school develop solid skills in both hand mapping and Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

Currently, all grade 10, 11 and 12 students are issued laptops for their senior geography courses.

The students use the laptops for high-level GIS mapping including 3-D maping



Supplied photo

Port High students took home top honours at a recent geography competition. In back, Owen Bellhumer and Ilyssa Boisenue tied for third place, while in front, Carly Johnson took second place and Whitney Augustine took first.

and Spatial Analysis. The students engage in real world problems, manage data and

offer solutions through the technology.

■ PETITION: Wainfleet services

Petition opposes Big Pipe

MAYRANNE FIRTH
InPort News Staff

WAINFLEET — A petition opposing Wainfleet's so-called Big Pipe water and sewer project is 796 names long and growing by the day.

According to the petition, residents believe the project is not only unneeded, but also has "runaway costs," and is not affordable for the township, said Bruce Miner, a member of the Wainfleet Ratepayers Association who presented the document to aldermen last week.

Cost estimates have "virtually doubled" in the past few years and continue to rise. Early cost predictions put the project at \$43 million, but Miner said that's soared to \$83 million.

The township has applied for government funding for the project on three occasions, with all three applications rejected.

Wainfleet's lakeshore is occupied by a large number of retired and seasonal residents all "trying to make do" with declining and fixed incomes, he said.

"The signed petition clearly indicates a substantial number of Wainfleet residents cannot afford and do not want this project."

Miner said by the end of summer he expects to have signatures from a majority of Wainfleet's lakeshore residents. The petition now represents 40.7% of affected properties.

"The momentum is growing behind the resistance to this project."

He stressed that there is opposition from other areas of Wainfleet as well.

Ald. Rudy Warkentin told Miner there hasn't been a cost analysis provided on paper indicating to council how much the project will cost, making their decision more difficult to make.

Miner responded: "That's been one of the biggest thorns in our side, because the costs are not produced."

Mayor Barb Henderson said council is awaiting completion of preliminary engineering drawings that will give a better estimate of the project's cost.

Ald. Evan Main said the issue will come back to the table when the cost is more firmly established.

"Council has done its due diligence. If council can't afford it, we shelve it," he said.

Miner said there's already been a lot of money spent on the project already, adding he doesn't "understand how it's even gotten to this point." He asked council to "resolve the water and sewer issues without placing a financial burden on the backs of Wainfleet taxpayers," and requested that a resolution be put forth immediately for a "made-in-Wainfleet solution."

"We need a solution by which we can fix our own problems and not ship our sewage off to our neighbours."

Miner said the solution should employ Wainfleet people to "oversee effective and lower cost on-site water and wastewater treatment" with a "minimum tax

burden" for the people of the township.

Citizens, at their own expense, commissioned a water study, which was presented to council during the meeting.

The study indicates, Miner said, that E. coli levels in the Lake Erie water flowing away from Wainfleet to the east is cleaner than the water flowing toward the township from the west.

"This would indicate that Wainfleet currently has a net positive effect on Lake Erie," he told council.

He said the study indicates the primary source of contaminants at

a majority of measurement points was identified as not human, but instead coming from farm animals, wild animals and water fowl.

"These two indications from the water study show that any wastewater pipe would prove virtually ineffective in reducing any lake water pollution," Miner said.

Warkentin said that groundwater is the real issue concerning the project, not lake water.

The study, Miner said, looks at lake water as an indicator of overall health of water in the area.

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■ **POLICE:** DeWitt Carter students learn about police dogs, horses

School children shown holding cells

DAVE JOHNSON
InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — When students from DeWitt Carter School visited Niagara Regional Police's Port Colborne detachment last week, the odds were stacked against tour guide

Sgt. Shawn Briggs. Briggs was leading grades 1 and 2 students through the Fielden Ave. detachment, which features a holding cell, briefing room and administrative offices, but the students' attention was focused on what was going on outside the building.

It wasn't the shiny, flashing lights of a police cruiser or police ATVs that caught their attention, rather it was regional police officers Brock, an 816-k (1,800-lb.) Percheron horse, and Vesta, a police service female German shepherd.

"We have visits from

schools on a yearly basis," said Briggs.

Briggs said the visits are a good opportunity for police to build a relationship with area children at a young age and show police are there to help them.

While he led half of the 60 or so DeWitt Carter stu-

dents through the detachment, explaining each area of the office and showing what equipment police have at their disposal, the other students were outside with Brock and Vesta.

Each of the students had a chance to pet Brock as his partner and rider Kevin Michener explained what the mounted unit does. Being up on a horse allows officers to see farther than they could if they were on the ground.

"We work four 10-hour shifts a week all year round," said Michener, adding it gets a little cold sitting up on the horse in winter.

In response to a question, he said the horses — there are two in the unit with the other called Juno — can easily catch people who try to run and can catch people on bicycles as well. He said most people don't try and run from the horses.

Sgt. Scott Johnson said if people try to run from him, he'll let his partner Vesta loose. The German shepherd from the Czech Republic is one of eight police service dogs trained to chase and track suspects, search for missing people, sniff out narcotics and explosives and protect their handlers.

He said police dogs don't have to be aggressive, they are very sociable dogs, but are trained to protect. The dogs won't listen to anyone else, he said.

DeWitt Carter teacher Jennifer Laur said the police detachment visit was one of many the students were doing through social studies and literacy classes. Her Grade 1 class, along with teacher Angela Brennan's grades 1 and 2 students were headed to city hall after the police visit. Students have also visited Food Basics, Bodner's Market and Port Colborne Fire and Emergency Services.

While DeWitt students were still on their tour at the detachment, the flashing lights, police horse and dog caught the attention of McKay School principal Rhonda Grenier. McKay school is across the street from the police detachment.

Grenier apologized for "crashing" DeWitt's visit, but thought she'd take advantage of the opportunity and brought over junior kindergarten through Grade 3 students for a visit once DeWitt students left.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #4

Niagara to GTA Corridor Planning
and Environmental Assessment Study
Phase 1

The public is invited to attend the fourth round of Public Information Centres (PICs) to review and comment on the draft multi-modal Transportation Development Strategy for the Niagara to GTA (NGTA) Corridor Planning and Environmental Assessment Study.

These will be drop-in style open house sessions to allow members of the public to review display material and discuss the study one-on-one with study team members. In addition, brief presentations will be provided each night at 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to provide a study overview. PIC #4 will be held on:

Thursday, June 17, 2010
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
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Monday, June 21, 2010
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
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Wednesday, June 23, 2010
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
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Information to be presented at the PICs will be available on the study website beginning on June 17, 2010. Comments may also be submitted via the study website at: www.niagara-gta.com.

THE STUDY

Phase 1 of the Planning and Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the NGTA Corridor, initiated by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO), supports the transportation objectives of the provincial Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe by providing for the efficient movement of people and goods within the corridor.

Phase 1 of this study has included the following key steps:

- develop a Study Plan (PIC #1);
- identify transportation problems and opportunities (PIC #2);
- identify and assess transportation alternatives that address the identified problems and opportunities (PIC #3); and
- select preferred transportation alternative(s) and recommend a multi-modal Transportation Development Strategy (PIC #4).

THE PROCESS

The Niagara to GTA Corridor Planning and EA study is being undertaken in accordance with the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act (EA Act) and the EA Terms of Reference, which was approved by the Minister of the Environment in June 2006.

COMMENTS

Comments and information regarding this study will be collected to assist the MTO. This material will be maintained on file for use during the project and may be included in project documentation to meet the requirements of the EA Act. Information collected will be used in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Access to Information Act. With the exception of personal information (e.g., name and address), all comments will become part of the public record.

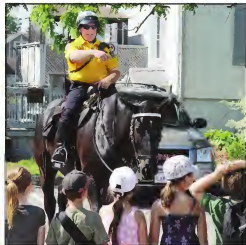
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DAVE JOHNSON Staff Photo
Niagara Regional Police officer Kevin Michener points to a student from DeWitt Carter as he sits on his horse Brock. Grades 1 and 2 students from DeWitt Carter school took a tour of the Niagara Regional Police's Port Colborne detachment Thursday.



■ BIG BIKE RIDE



DAVE JOHNSON Staff Photo
 Realtors from the Re/Max Welland Realty Ltd. office in Port Colborne rode the Heart and Stroke Foundation's Big Bike Thursday on West St. in Port Colborne. Seven other teams were scheduled to ride the bike from Canalside Pub and Eatery, which hosted the event for the sixth year in a row, to raise money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. A final tally of how much was raised won't be known for a few days.

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**"The Final Public Liaison Committee Report on the
 Port Colborne Community Based Risk Assessment"**

OPEN HOUSE

On **Thursday, June 10 at 7:00 pm**, the Public Liaison Committee will hold an **Open House** concerning "The Final Public Liaison Committee Report on the Port Colborne Community Based Risk Assessment (CBRA)" dated June 2010, and is requesting the attendance by all interested parties.

A presentation will be given by the Public Liaison Committee followed by a question and answer period. This is a very significant stage in the CBRA and the input from the public on the process is important to impress upon the Ministry of the Environment, the concerns the community has with respect to the contamination.

The session will be held at:

**Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall
 Thursday, June 10, 2010
 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

A copy of the report is available on the City of Port Colborne's web site at www.portcolborne.ca in the "Latest News" section as well as in the "City Hall Committees" section under Community Based Risk Assessment PLC.

The relevant material can also be reviewed, and additional information can be obtained, by contacting:

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■ **OFFICIAL PLAN:** Open house held for public

Burnaby is area targeted for new growth



Former Wainfleet mayor Stan Pettit, left, talks with consultant Paul Lowes during an open house Wednesday on Wainfleet's official plan.

DAVE JOHNSON
InPort News Staff

WAINFLEET — The hamlet of Burnaby will be an area where new growth occurs in the township, says a consultant working on Wainfleet's blueprint for the future.

Paul Lowes, of Sorensen Gravely Lowes Planning Associates Inc., made the remark last week, when he and his staff, with township planner Chuck Miller, discussed with residents the firm's recommended policy direction report for the new official plan.

"Instead of doing up a draft plan, this policy-driven report was presented," Miller said at township hall.

He said the report had comments as to why the consultants were making certain recommendations and issues attached to any changes in the plan.

Lowes said the report was set up to mimic what the official plan will look like once complete and presented to Wainfleet council, likely August.

"Residents won't see a lot of changes," said Lowes.

The new official plan will mainly address changes made to provincial policies regarding land use and Niagara

There are areas where the soil is poor and the land could be put to other uses."

Valerie Caster
Citizens' advisory group

Region's growth plan.

One area the plan went into more detail on was the lakeshore, said Lowes.

The township originally desired to do a secondary plan for the lakeshore, but it was folded into the official plan.

Lowes said Wainfleet's lakeshore is mostly built up and no growth can occur there. Issues related to the proposed water and sewer servicing project also have to be resolved in that area, he added.

The Burnaby area of the township, however, is one area that can see growth. The new official plan will deal with lot sizes and uses for the hamlet.

Wainfleet's Valerie Caster was at the open house to look at what the consultant had to present. Caster is one of the members of a citizens' advisory group that has been working with Sorensen Gravely Lowes Planning Inc. throughout the process that began in 2008.

Caster said the official plan will be clearer and make things easier for residents in the township when it comes to planning issues and land use.

She said advisory members have looked at Wainfleet's agricultural areas and they know where the good growth soil is in the community. "There are areas where the soil is poor and the land should be put to other uses."

Caster believes growth can occur in the township and still allow it to keep its rural identity.

Miller said the new official plan will be presented to council in August for review, but not before comment from the public, township staff and outside agencies in June and another open house in July.

Wainfleet's existing plan is 30 years old. It's the last major update it was 10 years ago.

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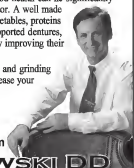
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■ **HUMANE SOCIETY:** Walkathon takes place next Sunday

They'll be walking for a PAWSitive cause



JOHN VESSOAN Staff Photo
Welland and District SPCA manager Ted Bettie holds Fowie, who has a broken leg. The PAWSitive Action Walkathon next Sunday will help animals such as Fowie deal with their injuries and medical problems.

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InPort News Staff

WELLAND — It's time to take the family pet for a long walk.

The Welland and District Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals-Welland and District Humane Society is hosting its annual PAWSitive Action Walkathon on Sunday.

Proceeds will benefit the humane society's emergency animal relief fund that was established in 2007 to assist animals in need of life-saving emergency veterinary care or intervention to deal with medical needs and injuries.

People can walk with or without a pet, they can sponsor a walker or simply make a donation.

Donations can also be made while dining at the Blue Star in Welland, Country Store Kettle & Grill in Port Colborne, Squires Pizza in Dunville, The Urban Steakhouse & Lounge in Fonthill and Touchdown Willy's in Smithville.

Registration is at 9 a.m. and the walk starts at 10 a.m.

For more information on how to donate, call 905-735-1552 or visit www.welland-humane-society.org.

There are prizes for most pledges, highest total collected, best treat catcher, best kissing pet and a draw for a mystery prize.

Humane society manager Ted Bettie said he anticipates about 100 people attending the walkathon, which is 3km and 5km long

and starts and finishes at the Welland & District SPCA offices on Provincial St.

Bettie said this event is necessary in order to maintain the animal relief fund, which is very low at only \$400 currently. He said the goal is to raise about \$15,000.

"It's all for the animals," Bettie said, adding that the money raised will give injured animals a "second chance and a new life."

"We desperately need funds replenished. It's something that's used all

the time."

Spring and summer will be a busy time for this local organization. From June until the end of August, the annual adopt-a-cat program is running.

During this time, cats can be adopted at \$75, down from the regular price of \$150.

Bettie said there are about 25 cats ready to be adopted.

The society also runs the animal shelter in Port Colborne.

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receiving the Reports of the Chairman of the Board of Port Colborne Hydro Inc., Port Colborne Energy Inc., and Port Colborne Fibre Inc.;

considering and approving the financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009 with the auditors' report thereon;

nominating the auditing firm of Grant Thornton as the auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010;

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Ryan Donnelly and Kate Feetham, dressed in 19th century clothing, promote the annual Fort Erie Siege weekend during a visit to the Port Colborne Historical and Marine Museum last weekend. The two Brock University students are working for Fort Erie drawing attention to the weekend of re-enactments during the second week of August and promotions of the bicentennial of the War of 1812.

■ OFF-ROADING: Obey rules

Cops eye ATVers

DAVE JOHNSON
Tribune Staff

PORT COLBORNE — Niagara Regional Police will be cracking down on people who operate ATVs and off-road vehicles illegally in southern Niagara.

Police launched an initiative earlier this month to deal with the vehicles as a result of ongoing complaints regarding riders showing little regard to following the rules of the road, trespassing on private property and causing damage to property.

Sgt. Shawn Briggs of the Port Colborne detachment says with the nice weather, there are more ATVs and off-road vehicles running around in the large rural areas of Port Colborne, Pelham and Welland.

"It's an area of concern for us," says Briggs.

While not all ATV and off-road vehicle users operate their vehicles illegally, he says there are many that trespass on, and damage, private property.

The only place ATV riders can operate their vehicles is on their own property, or that of someone from whom they have permission, he says.

"A lot of riders believe they can ride in rural areas, along the Welland Canal

and Welland Recreational Canal because they're accessible. They're not. There's no public location in Niagara where they can lawfully operate."

Briggs says riders will often drive their ATVs and off-road vehicles from their homes to the various locations and that can create hazards for the public and riders.

He says there are riders that use active railway lines for travel — and that could lead to a fatality if a train were to come by.

Through the police initiative, officers will be out on ATVs and will be strictly enforcing all relevant legislation, including the Off-Road Vehicles Act, the Highway Traffic Act, the Compulsory Automobile Insurance Act, the Trespass to Property Act and the Criminal Code of Canada.

Briggs says most riders possess the proper licence, insurance and registration for their vehicles, but there are those who don't. The initiative is an attempt to educate them.

"We'll be out wherever there are ATVs and off-road vehicles," he says.

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■ **TAXES:** Regional officials worry about what's in store

Police arbitration could strain regional budget

PETER DOWNS
QMI Agency

Niagara Region number crunchers are bracing themselves for the impact upcoming police contract arbitration could have on their bottom line.

A recent arbitration decision that gave officers with the Orangeville Police Service a raise of 11.2% over three years has Niagara officials worried about what's in store when Niagara Regional Police begin an arbitration session Friday.

"The decisions that have been made by arbitrators, specifically within the police, have been in excess of what has been the norm in other sectors," said Niagara Police Services Board acting chairman Doug Martin, who also chairs the Region's budget committee.

Niagara politicians and staff have set their sights on trying to keep any property tax hit for 2011 as close as possible to zero.

The budget process has just begun and staff hasn't yet finalized a spending target for regional departments.

For the current fiscal year, all departments were directed to keep increases at or below 3%.

That number could be chopped significantly this time around.

Finance commissioner John Bergsma said the Region considers Niagara's average household income and assessment growth as it tries to determine how much of an increase taxpayers can reasonably bear.

The figure being floated by regional staff — but not yet approved by council — would see departments holding the line on spending for an overall hike of no more than 1.4%.

An arbitration award of a similar size to the one given to Orangeville police in April — a 3.6% increase retroactively for 2009, plus increases of 3.8% in 2010 and 2011 — would make it pretty much impossible to hit the spending target, Bergsma said.

He noted more than 90% of the police budget is taken up by salary and benefits.

"It's not rocket science that if your revenue is going up by no more than 1.5%, but 90% of your costs are going up by nearly 4%, you've got a problem," he said.

Regional politicians have pushed for years for changes to the arbitration process for public-sector workers that would make awards fairer and more in tune with an employer's ability to pay, Martin said.

Niagara provincial government has only limited sway on the issue. "There are directions and guidelines given. However, the decisions of the arbitrators in the past we feel are sometimes not entirely in sync with the reality of the private sector," he said.

Police have been working under a collective agreement that expired in 2008.

Arbitration dates for the two sides have been set for June 4, 29 and 30. The last contract gave first-class constables a 3.25% increase in 2006, followed by 3% increases in 2007 and 2008.

Association president Paul Di Simoni couldn't be reached for comment Friday.

■ **SAFETY**

Bike Rodeo coming to Wainfleet

WAINFLEET — Safety first. The Port Colborne-Wainfleet Police Committee is hosting Safety Awareness Day on Saturday, June 12, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wainfleet

Arena.

The event that features a bicycle rodeo, prizes and information on bike safety is for youth aged seven to 15.

Ald. Ron Kramer said the committee is looking for local

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■ PORT FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

Top performers showcase talents

JORDAN NUNZIATO
For InPort News

PORT COLBORNE — The Port Colborne Festival of the Arts presented its Festival Showcase at First Presbyterian Church last Saturday evening.

A delightful evening of music was enjoyed by an audience of mostly family and friends. The participants were gold medal winners which they earned when they performed at the festival earlier in May.

The performances put on by these talented locals ranging in age from youngsters to older teenagers were in the disciplines of vocal, piano, individual verse speaking and instrumental.

The night kicked off at 7 p.m. with a piano duet performed by Emma Beaudin and Miranda Whalen. Following were solo performances on the piano.

Vocal solos were given as well by some of the most talented children.

Young Nikki Sohi then entered the spotlight mid-way through to give a taste of Edgar Allan Poe by the speaking of the beloved verse entitled Annabel Lee about love, but broken by a tragic death.

As the showcase continued on, the older performers took the stage.

Daniel Tsi took the piano and played Rhapsody in G-composed by Johannes Brahms, which was mesmerizing. Rebekah Carlson performed The Miller's Dance by Manuel de Falla. Carlson was captivated with her pas-



Rebekah Carlson performing The Miller's Dance at First Presbyterian Church during the Port Colborne Festival of the Arts Showcase last Saturday evening.

sion on the piano.

Closing the showcase was an amazing performance by Anthony Kaas accompanied by two students, one on piano and the other a page turner. They performed a concerto in classical style.

"The festival went very well this year," says Public Relations Chair of the festival, Wilma Tennier. "We've had a very successful year - it's been wonderful. We've had lots of comments from parents and teachers who have said that they're really

enjoyed this year particularly, but they have in the past as well."

The future of the event looks bright with no signs of stopping.

"We're going to continue as long as we can, as long as we can hang in there. This is our twenty-third year, and we hope that were going to be able to continue for many years."

Tennier says the survival of this festival has heavily to do with sponsorship. "We are very fortunate to have

so many wonderful donors, sponsors and corporate sponsors, gold, silver and bronze medal sponsors, scholarship donors and the volunteers - we cannot do without the volunteers." Tennier stresses that without the adjudicators, all the sponsors and the volunteers there would not be a festival.

Wrapping up the ceremony was the handing out of the many awards and scholarships to the deserving gold medal winners by the generous donors and sponsors.

■ MEMORIAL DAY



Wayne Campbell, president of the Ladies Auxiliary of Branch 56 Royal Canadian Legion speaks at the Legions annual Memorial Day service in H.H. Knoll Park Sunday. The service at the end of May is a longtime Port Colborne tradition. Thompson said the regular Remembrance Day service in November draws much more attention especially from schools. Recent losses in Afghanistan have brought the meaning of wartime sacrifice closer to many people.

■ FUNDRAISER: Interest in event grew quickly

Expectations surpassed

ALLAN BENNER
InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — Organizers of last weekend's Country Table Toppers Luncheon were planning to start small for the first time event.

But interest in the new fundraiser for the Riamona Pizzetti Bonnie Jackson Breast Screening Centre at Port Colborne hospital has surpassed expectations. "We've doubled what we expected," said organizer Cheryl James. "We truly hoped for 10 tables. We wanted to start small and get a feel for it and see how it went."

But once people started learning about the event James said

"the phones started ringing." "We were hoping for 100-150 people, and I think we're at 225."

At that point, she said organizers stopped selling tickets for the event, which took place at the Italian Canadian Cultural Centre.

Besides hoping to raise additional funding for the hospital's mammography department, James said organizers were looking for ways to remind people about the importance of breast screening - especially because most breast cancer awareness activities don't take place until Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October.

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■ **POLICING:** Niagara Regional Police Services board agrees to five-year extension

Niagara Parks Police averts threat of being disbanded

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NIAGARA FALLS — Niagara Parks Police have been granted a new lease on life for at least the next five

years.

Officers with the 123-year-old service will be able to continue carrying firearms, under terms of an agreement approved last week by

the Niagara Regional Police Services board.

"We're pleased with it, based on what we know," said Fay Booker, chairwoman of the Niagara Parks

Commission, which funds and oversees the police service.

The deal needs final approval by the provincial government, but that's seen

as a formality.

Minister of Community Safety and Corrections Rick Barolucci has said he's willing to give the OK to any parks police agreement

coming from the police services board, including a five-year extension and the continued authority to carry guns, subject to oversight by the police services board.

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■ ENTERTAINMENT: Flavours of Niagara Food and Wine Festival

Top cover band to headline food festival

InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — Top notch entertainment will complement top notch food at this year's Flavours of Niagara International Food and Wine Festival.

More Bad News and the Horns from Hell will help kick off the festival, which runs Friday, July 2 to Sunday, July 4 at H.H. Knoll Lakeview Park in Port

Colborne. The festival showcases the best of local restaurants and wineries supported by top musical talent. There is no entrance fee for the festival.

More Bad News and the Horns from Hell has been voted the No. 1 cover band in Niagara by Pulse Magazine's People's Choice Awards and will play signature covers of classic rock's greatest songs.

On Saturday, the Johnny

Max Band takes the stage from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The band is becoming a regular on the festival circuit following Max's latest release *A Lesson I've Learned* and a Juno Award nomination for blues album of the year.

Double Juno award-winning band *Pathhead* takes the stage from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday. The band has performed on main stages across Canada and the U.S. at events such as

Fredericton's Harvest Jazz & Blues Festival, The Salmon Arm Roots & Blues Festival, The Montreal International Jazz Fest, The Toronto International Beaches Jazz Fest, *Playing With Fire* in Omaha, Nebraska, and Festival by The Sea in New Brunswick. They've also performed in Washington, D.C. for the Canadian embassy, at Buffalo's Lafayette Tap Room Blues Festival, at Virginia's famed Birchmere Theatre, as well as

opening for blues icon B.B. King at Massey Hall in Toronto. The British Invasion Band closes out Saturday, taking the stage from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. The band performs hits from groups like the Beatles, Kinks, Rolling Stones, Dave Clark Five and many others.

Steve Burnside and the Marquis, in their fourth appearance, kick off Sunday's entertainment from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Burnside has toured across the

U.S. and Canada since the late 50s. LMT Connection, who have performed with Marvin Gaye, Stevie Wonder, Edwin Starr, John Lee Hooker, Al Green, and Dionne Warwick, will play from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Tonney will close off the festival, who are famous throughout Niagara for versatility and showmanship and the ability to entertain a crowd, as they perform from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m.

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IDEAL FOR BAR-BQ CUT FROM ONTARIO AA AND AAA BEEF BEEF PATTIES LARGE 5 OZ. 99¢ ea.	DELI Specials COUNTRY HICKORY STYLE CORNED BEEF 2⁹⁹ lb. COUNTRY HICKORY CORNED OR SMOKED CHICKEN BREAST 3⁹⁹ lb. CALABRESE MOZZARELLA CHEESE 4⁹⁹ lb.	IDEAL FOR BAR-BQ FRESH PORK PUPPO'S HOT OR MILD ITALIAN SAUSAGE SAVE \$4.00 3⁹⁹ lb.	CUT FROM ONTARIO AA AND AAA BEEF HORIZON PACIFIC COAST PFO BEEF BONELESS SIRLOIN TIP ROASTS AGED TO PERFECTION SAVE \$2.00 3⁹⁹ lb.
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CUT FROM ONTARIO AA AND AAA OR HIGHER HORIZON PACIFIC COAST BEEF BONELESS NEW YORK STRIP STEAKS V2 PRICE 6⁹⁹ lb.	CHAPMAN'S PREMIUM ICE CREAM OR YOGURT 2 litre tub SAVE \$2.00 3⁹⁹	FRESH ONTARIO PORK CENTRE CUT LOIN PORK CHOPS SAVE \$4.50 2⁹⁹ lb.
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WONDER PLUS BREAD WHITE OR 100% WHOLEWHEAT 675g loaf SAVE \$1.00 1⁶⁹	Clorox ELITE PREMIUM 2-PLY BATHROOM TISSUE Reg. of 12 Double Rolls 4⁹⁹	Cracker Barrel KRAFT CHEESE 500 g block SAVE \$2.70 5⁹⁹	VLASIC PICKLES BABY DILLS SWEET MIXED BREAD & BUTTER 1 litre jar 2/\$5
QUEBEC PURE MAPLE SYRUP 1 Litre Bottle \$14⁹⁹	SEALTEST LEMONADE 2 Litre Carton \$1	ROMAN GNOCCHI RAVIOLI OR TORTELLINI 1 LB. Bag 2/\$4	OCEAN SPRAY CRABNEY COCKTAIL 1 litre 3/\$10

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CORNED READY TO EAT GOLDEN PINEAPPLE 3⁹⁹ EACH	FRESH CUT SEEDLESS WATERMELON 89¢ LB.	NO. 1 GRADE ONTARIO ASPARAGUS 1⁹⁹ LB.	NO. 1 GRADE ONTARIO RAINBOW PACK SWEET PEPPERS 2⁷⁹ LB.	NO. 1 GRADE ONTARIO ON-THE-VINE TOMATOES 1⁴⁹ LB.

■ BUSINESS AFTER 5



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Port Colborne-Wainfleet Chamber of Commerce president Mike Sloat, left, enjoys a drink with Canalside Pub and Eatery owners Rosemary and Greg Poisson during a Business After 5 event at the restaurant. The restaurant is on West St. in Port Colborne.

■ NURSES: Township ideal setting for proposed clinic

Wainfleet wants clinic

MARYANNE FIRTH
InPort News Staff

WAINFLEET — For the second consecutive year, Wainfleet is vying for a nurse practitioner-led clinic.

Council approved a request from nurse practitioners Melanie Stansfield and Sue Battersby-Campbell last week to support an application for clinic funding from the provincial government.

The nurses requested the support of council last year but it was later learned Niagara was ineligible for the program.

The province announced in 2007 it would fund 25 nurse practitioner-led clinics, over three stages in 2008 and 2010. The final 14 clinics are slated for funding this year.

This year, Niagara is eligible — an opportunity Wainfleet shouldn't pass up, Stansfield said. The proposed clinic is a "new primary health-care delivery model" that sees nurse practitioners providing care while collaborating with family physicians and other health-care professionals.

Wainfleet is the "ideal setting" for the clinic, because the township doesn't have the critical mass to warrant a family health-care team, she said.

With many senior residents and a lack of adequate inter-municipal transit, the clinic would be an easily-accessible source of primary care, Stansfield said.

To put forth an application, potential sites for the clinic must be indicated — although the location can change once an application is approved.

After council approved the motion to support the application, Henderson said town staff would assist with the creation of the document and help to determine sites that may be viable for the project. The deadline to submit to the Ministry of Health and Long-term Care is June 25.

Battersby-Campbell said a health-care survey is being conducted in the township to try and promote the clinic while determining the percentage of residents without a primary health-care provider.

■ PORT CARES: Fundraising ride set for next weekend

Bikers care

InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — Pam Swift Janiak hopes Reach Out "N Ride" — a charity ride for poverty reduction benefiting Port Cares — becomes an annual event.

The inaugural event takes place Saturday, June 12 starting at Port Cares

parking lot, 92 Charlotte St., and ending at H.H. Knoll Lakesview Park, says Swift Janiak, Port Cares development officer.

She says the event is the brain-child of Port Cares' Brenda Harvey. "She thought the ride would be a great thing."

Pledge forms are available at www.portcares.on.ca and more information is also available at www.facebook.com/reachoutnride.